IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA CHARLOTTE DIVISON

MISC. 3:15MC103

In re: APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM THE ELECTRONIC PUBLIC

ACCESS FEE ORDER

This matter is before the Court upon the application and request by Professor Kate Stith, Lafayette S. Foster Professor of Law at Yale Law School for exemption from fees imposed by the Electronic Public Access fee schedule adopted by the Judicial Conference of the United States.

The Court finds that Professor Stith falls within the class of users listed in the fee schedule as being eligible for a fee exemption. Professor Stith demonstrated that an exemption is necessary in order to avoid unreasonable burdens and to promote public access to information for research purposes.

Therefore, Professor Stith shall be exempt from the payment of fees for access via PACER to the electronic case files maintained in this court, to the extent such use is incurred in the course of her research. Professor Stith shall not be exempt from the payment of fees incurred in connection with other uses of the PACER system in this court.

Additionally the following limitations apply:

- 1. This fee exemption applies only to Professor Stith and is valid only for the purposes stated above;
- 2. This fee exemption applies only to the electronic case files of this court that are available through the PACER system;
- 3. By accepting this exemption, Professor Stith agrees not to sell for profit any data obtained as a result of receiving this exemption; and,

4. This exemption is valid until 12 months from the date of this Order.

This exemption may be revoked at the discretion of the Court at any time. A copy of this Order shall be sent to Professor Stith and to the PACER Service Center.

This <u>25th</u> day of January 2019.

Frank D. Whitney

Chief United States District Judge